

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's final Office Action of September 26, 2007 the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying Amendment of the claims and the below Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

independent claim 1 is amended to specify that in step (a) a unique 64 bit identifier is determined. Support for this amendment can be found at paragraphs [6588]-[6594] of the present specification; and

dependent claims 2-28 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment does not add any new matter to the present application, nor any new issues to the prosecution of the present application.

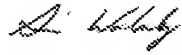
Regarding 35 USC 102(e) and 103(a) Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of claims 1-28 is not disclosed or suggested by previously cited Mi, Debry and Collins either taken alone or in combination, because none of these cited references, and in particular Mi, does not disclose or suggest determining unique 64 bit identifiers for integrated circuits, as is required by amended independent claim 1.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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